

Feb. 22 1942

Mr Willie Wells
Aquadilla
Puerto Rico

Dear Willie:

I am a little late answering your letter, but I have been out of town. Your letter sounds very good, and I agree with everything you say. The only thing, while I want to cut down on expenses as much as possible, I wonder if it will not be wise to carry an extra man if we can possibly arrange. There is no doubt the army is going to start to take the colored boys soon. If it is going to be built up to the strength the papers say, by the first of the year.

Now Willie I have never heard from Clarkson. I heard from Pearson, and Irvin and I told both of them to tell him to write me. In view of this I think it would be a good idea if you see him to find out what his plans are. I have written all the boys here in the states, and asked them how they stand in the draft. I have heard from all of them but Hoobgood and Davis. I just wrote the two of them this week, just located their addresses. All those I heard from, do not seem to be in any danger of being drafted soon. Their classifications are all very low. I would love to know about Irvin. The only thing to save him would be they are not taking the colored boys so fast.

You said you would leave Puerto Rico the 13th of March. How are you coming home. We heard from some one that Johnny Hayes wrote they were going to send you all to Miami by Plane. Is this so. If so will you stop in Jacksonville? Did they decide not to have a playoff

JOHN BORICAN DAY in New Jersey

FOUR - TEAM DOUBLEHEADER

New York Black Yankees

vs.

Philadelphia Stars



Newark Eagles

vs.

Baltimore Elite Giants

Ruppert Stadium

Sunday, August 31, 1941 ^{1:15}
P. M.

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156 SPRUCE STREET

NEWARK, N. J.

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Dear Fan:

It has been my aim to try every year to reward local baseball fans for their support of the Newark Eagles by staging an outstanding attraction near the end of the season.

This year, in addition to the four-team doubleheader, New Jersey will be afforded an opportunity to honor one of the outstanding athletes of all times . . . a boy born and raised in New Jersey, who at the present time holds more world records than any other track star. This man, John Borican, has kindly consented to race the winner of the 100-yds dash in which all the fastest men on the four teams will have competed. This event should be of great interest, as it will give sport fans an opportunity to judge how fast ball players do run the bases.

The teams taking part: New York Black Yankees vs. Phila. Stars and Newark Eagles vs. Baltimore Elite Giants, all have some fast men who should make the race with Borican interesting.

Ball players from the four teams will also compete in throwing contests: from the outfield, catchers from home plate, managers barrel rolling.

Let's make the last home appearance of 1941 for the Eagles, New Jersey's own baseball club, and the day in honor of John Borican, New Jersey's own boy, of whom it can be proud, stand out in the memory of all sport fans.

Very truly yours,

EFFA MANLEY.

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